



they “denied [her] Graduate PLUS loan – and applied inaccurate and misleading information . . . into the National Student Data Service Bank, to prevent me from getting Graduate PLUS Loans anywhere else.” Compl. at 4.

Defendants attack the conclusory nature of Plaintiff’s allegations, noting that she fails to specify (1) how she “assisted” her son; (2) the lawsuits that her son allegedly filed; (3) her relationship with the Defendants; (4) how she contends that the Defendants could have played a role in the denial of her federal Graduate PLUS loan; (5) the nature of the allegedly “inaccurate and misleading information” that the Defendants provided to the National Student Loan Data System; or (6) the temporal connection between her allegedly protected conduct and the Defendants’ allegedly retaliatory conduct.

The Second Circuit has explained that, even after Bell Atlantic Corp. v. Twombly, 550 U.S. 544 (2007), courts “remain obligated to construe *pro se* complaints liberally.” DiPetto v. U.S. Postal Serv., No. 09-3203-cv, 2010 U.S. App. LEXIS 14184, at \*2 (2d Cir. July 12, 2010) (citing Harris v. Mills, 572 F.3d 66, 71-72 (2d Cir. 2009)). *Pro se* plaintiffs must allege “sufficient factual allegations to meet the plausibility standard, [but courts] should look for such allegations by reading *pro se* complaints with ‘special solicitude’ and interpreting them to raise the ‘strongest [claims] that they suggest.’” Id. at \*3 (quoting Triestman v. Fed. Bureau of Prisons, 470 F.3d 471, 474-75 (2d Cir. 2006)).

Considering the liberality with which I must view *pro se* complaints, I deny the Defendants’ motion to dismiss. The Defendants shall answer the complaint within 30 days. Thereafter, the Defendants shall serve interrogatories on Plaintiff to resolve the factual issues cited above. After these steps have been taken, the Defendants may, if appropriate, renew their motion to dismiss.

The Clerk shall mark the motion (Doc. No. 11) terminated.

SO ORDERED.

Dated:

August 4, 2010  
New York, New York

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alvin K. Hellerstein", written over a horizontal line.

ALVIN K. HELLERSTEIN  
United States District Judge